TINTIN

LAKE OF SHARKS



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A Tintin Film Book

TINTIN AND THE LAKE OF SHARKS

Based on the characters created by Hergé



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Lamplight gleams on the rain-washed streets. All is quiet: the city sleeps. Only a car moves in the night, creeping silently into the square...



... stopping in front of the Museum of Oceanography . Two men get out ...



... and slip cautiously into a narrow alley beside the building.

Any good, Joe?

Do it in my
sleep, Harry boy! Cut a circle
in the glass, shove a hand
through... and bob's your uncle!







No problem to break into the showcase, lift the marvellous jewel from its shell ... Then, suddenly ...

Lights!... A guard on his rounds!... Get out of sight, quick!









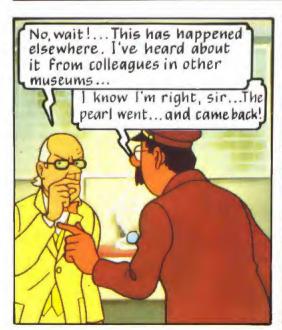


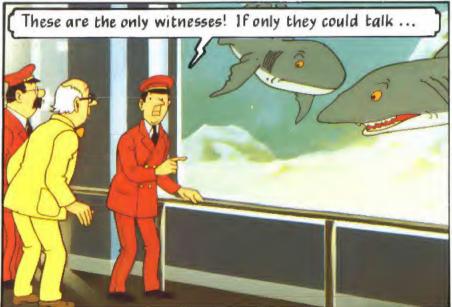


A close shave. Seconds later the guards rush back, with the Director of the Museum...









Next day, at Klow airport in Syldavia, a B714 comes in to land ...





But the Customs are waiting. The Captain's golf bag gets a thorough search.

Golf! ... Nothing to declare!... You compris?...Golf club... hit, hit...little ball...Understand? Naturally, sir. You may proceed. Welcome to Syldavia.



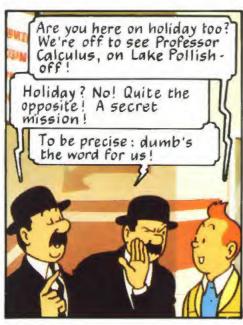






















Soon the travellers are high above the fierce Syldavian mountains...



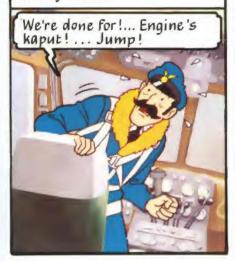




There it is... an artificial lake.



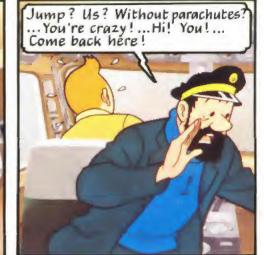
The starboard engine begins to splutter... coughs... and finally ... dies



The passengers watch dumbfounded as the pilot, his parachute ready, leaps from the plane.



Tintin keeps his head. In a flash he is in the pilot's seat...



Tintin fights desperately to regain control ... and dodges between huge mountain peaks... Lower and lower, past towering crags...



I'm going to try to land her in that valley... Undercarriage down... Hang on, here we go!



Wheels slam into the rocky ground, tyres scream and burst.
One wing torn away, the plane hurtles on to destruction ...



Skidding wildly towards a precipice... it stops, poised over the abyss ...



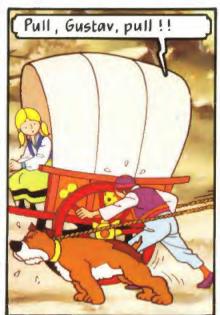




No! Two wellaimed ropes are suddenly flung over the battered tail...



In the nick of time!
Two children, passing in a donkey-cart, have spotted the damaged aircraft and come to the rescue.





fintin, Snowy and Captain Haddock are safely out... Now only the Thompsons are left on board...



Suddenly...

The plane plunges forward ... As it goes, the detectives are flung through the door...



The aircraft smashes into the ravine and explodes ... Debris scatters in all directions.



Lucky for us you were here! My name is Tintin. These are my friends: Captain Haddock, Mr Thompson and Mr Thomson. And this is Snowy.

I am called Niko, and this is my sister, Nushka.



We were on our way to visit a friend ... Cuthbert Calculus ... He lives in the Villa Sprog , by the lake.

The Villa Sprog!... You mustr't go!...The lake is a bad place!



Despite the warning the travellers climb into the cart and set off with the children towards the Villa Sprog... But, high on a cliff, someone is watching them... Their pilot!



Winding their way through the hills the travellers come at last to the Villa Sprog, built on the lakeside.



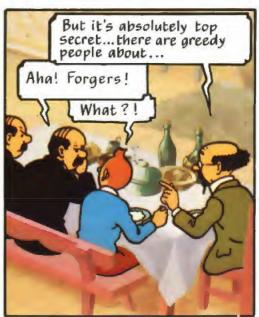




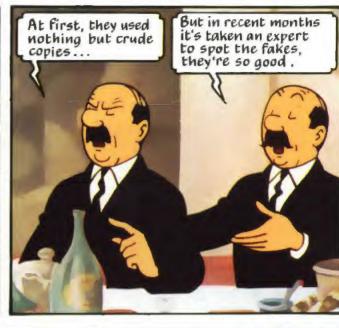






















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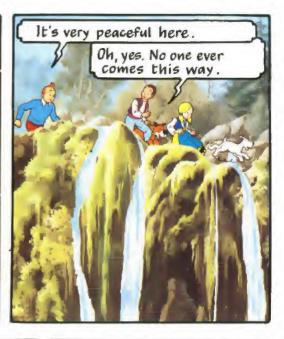
well-head, where someone is turning







Next morning Niko and Nushka come



Laughing and talking, Tintin and the children make their way along a path leading to the cliff top. Snowy and Gustav prefer to go down to the lake.



Meanwhile, at the Villa Sprog, Captain Haddock visits the professor in his laboratory.

Very odd ... I could have sworn I left my notes on that table last night ... You haven't seen them, have you, Captain?



But in another room, downstairs...

Ha! ha! Our clever professor shouldn't leave things lying about! I'll hide the bottle here, with his papers inside ... Crab will soon take care of them ...



Scarcely has
Madame flik
turned her back,
before the bottle,
papers and all,
vanishes into
thin air!



But it soon reappears... in the hands of a frogman climbing out of the well...



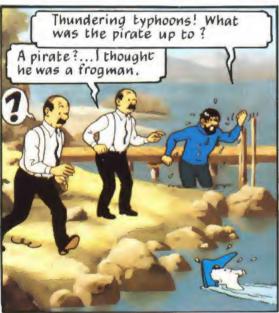




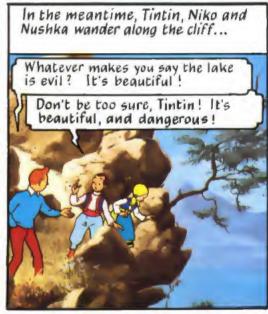




















Beside the mysterious observer two frogmen wait...

You saw them?...The one with the tuft of hair is Tintin...He is extremely dangerous!...Operation Crab goes ahead. You have your orders. Use the new laughing gas!



Tintin returns to the Villa Sprog. Immediately Captain Haddock tells him of the morning's events. Tintin listens carefully.

Part of a flipper torn off by Snowy... The professor's lost papers... It all begins to make sense...





Tintin follows Snowy, leaving the Thompsons to quard the villa. The Captain goes after Gustav, who also seems to have picked up a trail... Snowy makes the first discovery: a metal ring half buried in the ground. Tense with excitement, Tintin pulls. Slowly, quietly, a section of rock slides open. to reveal the entrance to a cave...



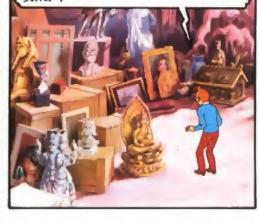
Down the first few steps, then suddenly ...

Oh!! The door's shut!...! can't get out!... But Snowy managed to escape...! II have to go on... nothing else! can do...



At the foot of the staircase, an amazing sight greets Tintin ...

What in the world?! Treasures!! Can they be...stolen from museums, like the Thompsons said?



That's up to the Syldavian police... I must find a way out...



Light!...I'm sure this cave must be connected to the lake...



Taking a deep breath, Tintin dives ...

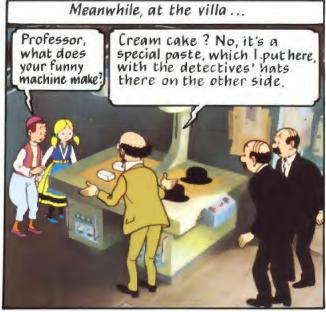




Tintin wrestles desperately with the metal strands, the air draining slowly from his lungs. Just in time Snowy sees bubbles on the lake surface and dives to the rescue.

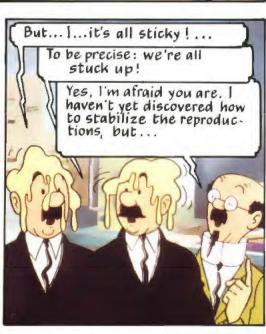












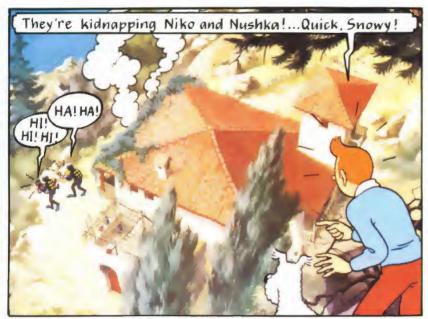


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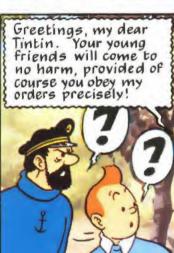


Tintin and Snowy are on the way home...

Look! Someone's attacking the house!

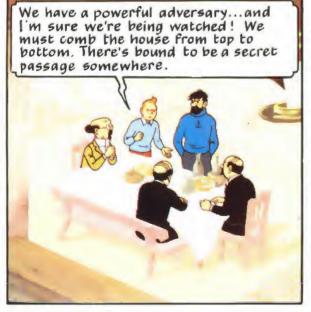




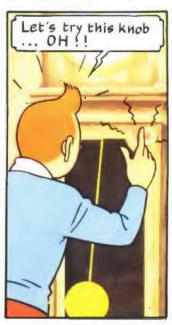






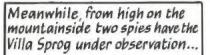












It's almost reporting time for Rameses.



















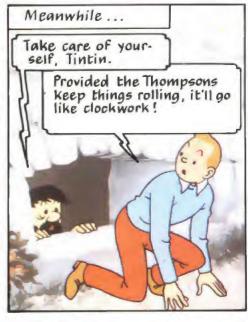
And while
Tintin
outlines
his plan,
Niko and
Nushka
are taken
by their
captors
before
King
Shark.















Tell the boss they're





































Such silly men!
Completely fooled
by my little Mr
Wagner in disguise!
... Now, off you go,
caro mio.



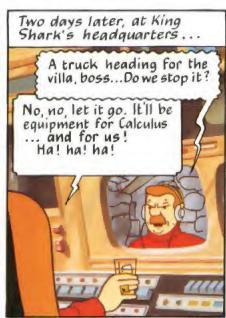
Tintin is soon telling his story to the police chief, who listens carefully ...

Everything centres on the lake... All your discoveries point to it...















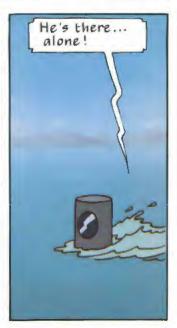


Tintin explains his plan to save Niko and Nushka ... He'll keep the rendezvous with the kidnappers, while the Captain follows secretly underwater.





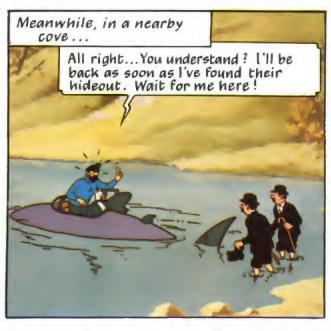
Taking the box, Tintin sets off







disappears beneath the waters of the lake.





The Captain follows the mysterious submarine, taking care not to be observed. But he loses his quarry among the ruins of the drowned village.





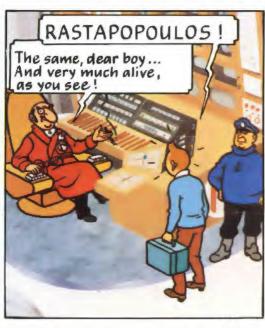




Tintin is escorted to the control room... A shock awaits him. From the depths of an armchair comes an unexpected greeting.

So, my dear Tintin!
We meet again!

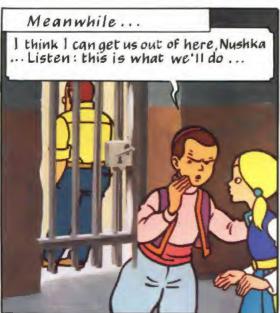
?!! YOU!















































With a frightening crack the glass dissolves in smithereens. The lake floods in. More by luck than judgement, Niko pilots the tank out of its dock.



Yes, boss... With the tank ... through the porthole ... Yes, boss ... your unbreakable glass...Yes, boss ... they broke it!





Rastapopoulos monitors the movements of the underwater tank from the control room ...

Look, Nushka, we're in the old village under the lake!



What's happen ing? The tank won't steer any more... It's turning round ... as if someone's taken control

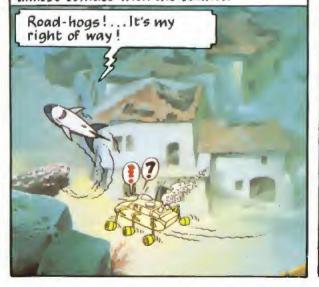
m frightened, Niko!

Ha! ha! ha! Rastapopoulos always has the last word, my little kiddywinks! ... Home you come!





Captain Haddock, cruising down a street, almost collides with the tank...



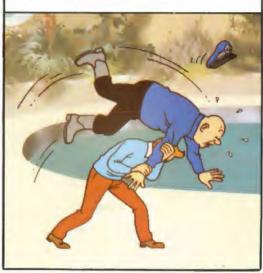
Haddock! ... Captain, Captain, it's us!

It's Captain





Grabbing the submarine captain,Tintin hurls him over his shoulder...



The gangster lands with a crash on the control panel...



Dozens of light signals whirl on dials...With a single flash the pictures vanish from the television screens.



All King Shark's mechanical marvels suddenly go mad ... Chaos reigns ...



A second gangster aims his gun at Tintin...

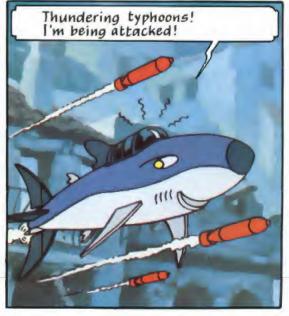


The weapon sails away... and lands on the controls...

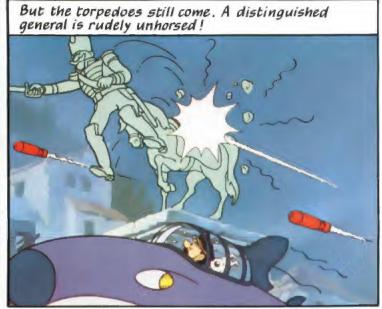


... automatically the tank fires a salvo of torpedoes...























Help! The submarine's been hit... and I can't stop us firing these beastly torpedoes!



Disabled, the submarine settles helplessly on the bed of the lake.



Hooray! That's taken care of Bluebeard!... Now it's your turn, my clever little tadpoles!

There you are!..
Good! Come
along now...
He! he! Our
little game is
over!



While we wait for our bold buccaneer and his sister, I want to show you my little collection. Come, my dear Tintin!

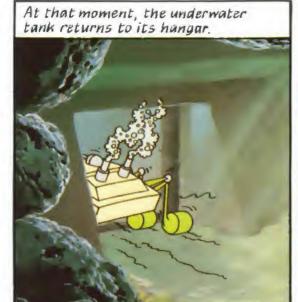


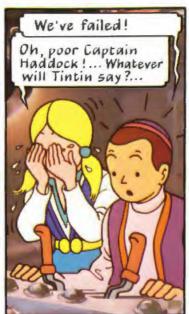
Closely
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by the
Rastapopoulos
thugs,
Tintin is
taken to
a vast
qallery.



... to make thousands more authentic originals! Ha! ha! ha!







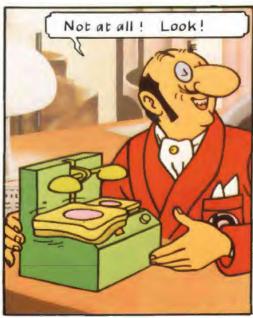




























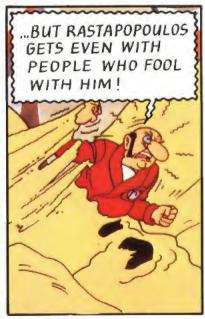


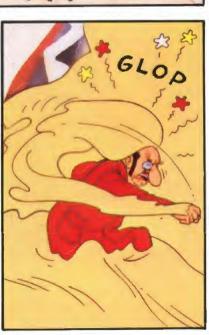


























Rastapopoulos is not disposed of so easily! I've plenty of time to slip through the net. But before I do that, I have a little surprise, especially for you!



The gangster returns to his control panel, presses hard on a button ...

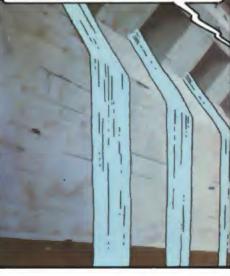


... and returns to the cellar.

You see those sluices up there? ... I've just opened them ...



.. and in an hour's time the water-level ...







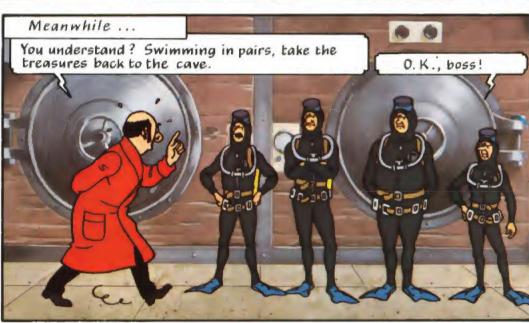


You thought you could fool me, eh?... How wrong you were!... Goodbye!... And don't forget: in an hour's time ... BOOM!



My poor young friends; I think we're done for. We can't reach the switch, or immobilise the ball-cock...





Rastapopoulos's orders are swiftly carried out. The frogmen go to work, leaving the secret lair with their precious cargo.



Not far away ...

Ten thousand thundering typhoons! The confounded engine won't go!... What's to become of us now, Snowy, old fellow?!...





The Captain pushes the starter desperately. The propeller, jammed by the damaged rudder, shakes violently but refuses to budge.



Suddenly, the twisted metal breaks loose and the propeller whirls into action.

























Tintin, Niko and Nushka are being held prisoner by a gang of sharks! The pirates... they've got a secret lair in the sunken village...You'll need divers to rescue them. But you'll have to be quick, by thunder!









In the control room, Rastapopoulos waits ...

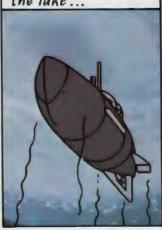
That's it, boss. Our men have shifted all the treasures, It's time we were going. A signal's come through: the police are mounting a tremendous operation.







The dock fills with water. A lock-gate opens, and the submarine slinks out into the depths of the lake ...

















Ha! ha! Just a few minutes more for our clever little friend and ... WHOOSH! Hundreds of tons of water down on that smart little head!





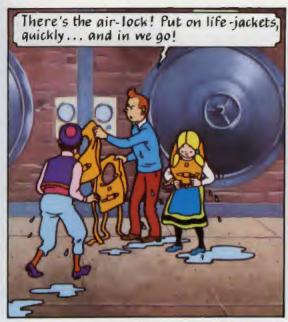


There... near the jetty where the submarine brought me in... there's an air-lock.











We've made it ... I'm sure ... By a









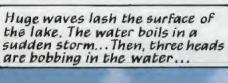
















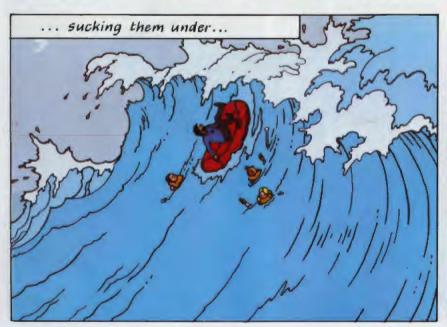
Hang on! I'm coming!...
Captain Haddock to the rescue, blistering barnacles!...

A second explosion, more violent than the first, shatters the waters of the lake...



A monstrous wave, a wall of water, looms before the horrified eyes of the swimmers





... and with a deafening roar breaks over the helpless police launch ...



For what seems a lifetime, the tiny vessel is buried beneath the churning water ... then, miraculously, she shakes herself free.





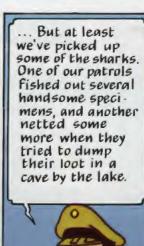








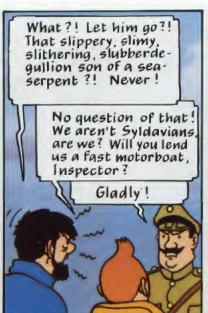


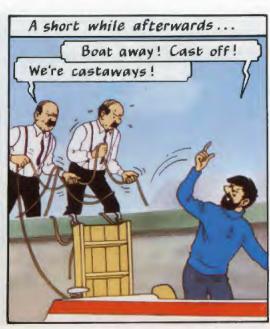






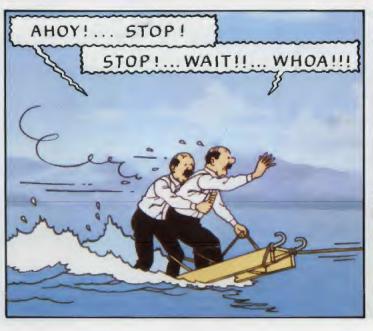
















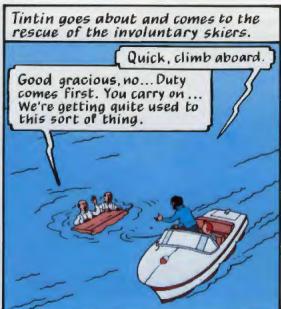












While the detectives swim for the shore, Tintin and the Captain continue their hunt for King Shark.

We don't want to miss that jellyfish when hr breaks surface!

Meanwhile ... There's the Bordurian shore!... We'll keep clear of the frontier posts, and steer straight for the Trident Rocks. We can't get through that way, boss. Reefs!

Yes, I know all about the reefs...
and we'll go under them. I worked
it all out beforehand, of course!
Keep going!

At reduced speed, the submarine crawls into the passage ...

































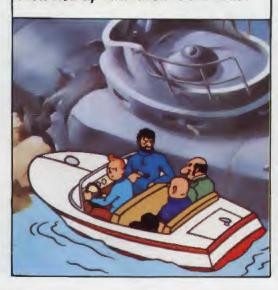




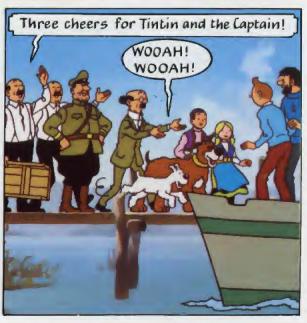




Rastapopoulos and his seamen are soon tied up and taken to the boat.



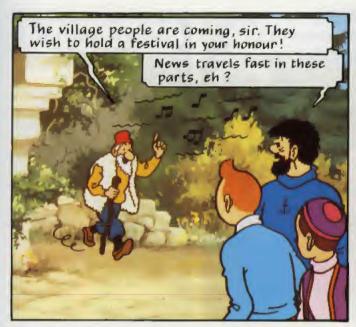
Heading across the lake, Tintin and the Captain are met by a Syldavian police launch. They and their prisoners are taken aboard. The police convey them safely to the jetty at the Villa Sprog. On shore, a warm reception awaits them! The inspector, Niko, Nushka, the Thompsons, Professor Calculus and of course Gustav and Snowy ...



The prisoners are taken away to Klow, where the rest of the gang is already in gaol.



































TINTIN AND THE LAKE OF SHARKS

Tintin, Snowy and Captain Haddock fly to Syldavia to see Professor Calculus who is staying in a villa on the shores of a mysterious lake. The professor has been secretly working on a strange machine which produces 3D illusions, but then Tintin unmasks a spy in the villa. Who is interested in the professor's invention? Tintin is hot on the trail when he is captured and taken to the mastermind of the lake of sharks — none other than his old enemy, Rastapopoulos. And this time 'King Shark' has plans to get rid of Tintin for good...

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